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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Robert J. Watts

Serial No.: 09 / 529,482 Group No.: 3764

IA Filing Date: 10/12/98 Examiner: L. Hamilton

For: ANKLE-FOOT ORTHOSIS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

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(complete (c) or (d), as applicable)

(c) No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

(d) Total additional fee for claims required \$_____

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed 23 October 2001, and is accompanied by a petition for a three month extension of the response period, so that the extended period will expire on 23 April 2002. Consideration is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please allow applicant to mark Figs. 1a and 1b, plus 2a and 2b as "Prior Art". A letter to the Chief Draftsperson is enclosed. A substitute drawing sheet will be filed upon approval of the proposed change.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel, without prejudice or disclaimer, Claims 21 through 27. Please amend Claims 1, 3, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16 and 17, and add new claims 28 through 32, as indicated below. Claims 1, 30 and 31 are independent.